

## MYSTERY DEATHS OF THREE WOMEN STILL UNSOLVED

Murder Suspected in Lancaster, Ohio, Tragedy.

LANCASTER, Ohio, Oct. 3.—James A. Tobin, prosecuting attorney, announced today that a rigid investigation of the mysterious deaths of the Misses Agnes and Alice Smitters and Miss May Stratton, who were found dead seated in chairs in the parlor of the "Old Smitters mansion" here, Sunday night, will be made on the theory that the women were the victims of a triple murder. Thirty-six hours after the tragedy the police and attorney's jury have failed to disclose any substantial evidence of how the three women met their death.

"Without any supporting proof of the fact, I am inclined to believe that death was due from asphyxiation, but there is sufficient doubt to warrant the deepest investigation and that I promise to make," Mr. Tobin said.

Official investigation is marking time pending a report of the state chemist upon the contents of the stomachs of the three women and a piece of pie from which they are believed to have eaten.

Officers from the prosecutor's office and the police have canvassed the private relations of the three women and found no possible motive to sustain the theory of murder. Suicide is not considered.

## MILLION DOLLARS SPENT BY STATE FAIR VISITORS

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of the 30,000 visitors were country merchants who combined pleasure and business by purchasing fall and winter stocks in this city during the course of the fair. From this source alone the \$400,000 necessary to complete Mr. Brock's \$1,000,000 estimate would come.

In addition to the stocks of druggists, clothing, groceries, and other articles bought of local peddlers, hundreds of automobiles of every brand were purchased. Hardly a day passed at the automobile building at the State Fair but that orders for from \$50 to \$200 an

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The young lady across the way says the moderate use of cosmetics may be helpful in some cases but after all there's nothing like plenty of water and a good complexion.

tomobiles were made. In addition numerous sales were made in uptown showrooms.

Great Asset, He Says.

Mr. Brock characterizes the State Fair as one of Oklahoma City's greatest assets. In speaking of the business it has brought the city, he took the opportunity this morning of paying a tribute to the people of Oklahoma City whose public spiritedness has made the States Fair possible.

"The State Fair," said Mr. Brock, "is one of the very few in the United States which is not supported by the state in which it is located. It is a success only because of the enthusiasm and unselfishness with which Oklahoma City and her people have worked for it. Such men as J. E. Warren, president of the association, who spends weeks of his time without pay every year laboring in his shirt sleeves that the exposition may be a success, deserve credit. He is only one of many who leave their own businesses and do work that no one could be hired to do at any salary."

## SWEDEN CLASHES WITH ALLIES ON SEA PROCEDURE

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precautions there were several violations of Swedish neutrality. Public sentiment in Sweden was aroused and the government determined to maintain the waters of the Kattegat channel leading out of the sound in the Baltic. Sweden also served notice that her naval command had been instructed to fire upon all submarines found prowling within the three-mile limit. This policy had scarcely been announced when news came of the successful trip of the Deutschland from Bremen to Halmstad and there arose the question as to whether Sweden would fire at sight at a German merchant submarine or whether they would only fire at an armed allied submarine, knowing these powers were not using commercial underwater boats.

Allies Make Protest.

The situation was further complicated by a later determination of the Swedish government to close the Kattegat channel entirely to all except Swedish vessels. Then the entire allied fleet decided to protest. According to reports received here there was much excitement in Stockholm when the allied fleet arrived and it was promptly described in the press as an ultimatum.

The reply in Sweden was characteristically stiff.

"You conclude that in the attitude adopted by the king's government regarding the two belligerent camps there is a signal difference which would seem incompatible with the duties of a local and impartial neutrality," it said.

"It is the duty of the king's government to stand in the most formal manner that the opinion thus expressed has any foundation. It cannot enter into discussion on the sincerity and impartiality at its neutrality which have been abundantly demonstrated throughout the war. It will, however, observe that an allegation of this nature is fundamentally vicious, being founded only on isolated facts imperceptible to the discernible."

Seeking Only Neutrality.

The reply declared that all submarine mines are to be treated by Sweden as war submarines if their employment for commercial purposes is not established with certainty by common facts. It was asserted that all Sweden was doing was to safeguard her neutrality in the manner she found most appropriate to the situation.

Earthquakes Recorded.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3.—Two earthquakes were recorded last night on the Georgetown university seismograph. The center of the disturbance was estimated by the observer to have been about 3,900 miles from Washington.

## Vital Statistics

Births.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Rauch, 1212 West Twenty-second street, son.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Mitchell, 1402 West B. avenue, a son.

John T. Hutchins, 1122 South Rockwood avenue, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Shannon, 1202 West Poplar avenue, a daughter.

Marriage Licenses.

Clarence A. Johnson, 23 years old, father, and Mary Anderson, 24 years old, mother, Kan.

Elmer F. Patterson, 37 years old, John H. May, and Lottie Cole, 22 years old, Wagoners.

Building Permits.

R. E. Harrington, 330 West Thirtieth street, garage, \$150.

## CITY BRIEFS

Equipment Needed.—Lack of equipment in lower grades of Oklahoma City's ward schools is prohibiting efficient work, according to a statement made last night by Joseph J. A. Whitford to the city board of education. It also declares that the seating arrangement of some of the high schools was appointed to investigate the possibility of securing \$200 to purchase equipment.

Business Shows Increase.—That the business building business ever done in Oklahoma City is in progress is the assertion of E. C. Smith, secretary of the Oklahoma City business association. The Baker-Hallam-Baker Dry Goods company reports an increase of 51 percent over the same period in 1915, and the same percentage increase are reported by other large dealers.

McNabb to Hold Meetings.—To bring to the attention of Oklahoma farmers the advantages of growing sweet clover, J. A. McNabb, district farm agent, will begin soon a series of meetings in all parts of the lowest two counties which form the district. Mr. McNabb hopes to bear unanswerable arguments in favor of the crop.

No Rate Reduction.—Because he saw that Oklahoma City's fire stations have been undermanned, C. T. Ingalls, head of the Oklahoma fire inspection bureau, has announced that he will not recommend decreases in fire insurance rates in this city. J. T. Higgins, commissioner of public safety, directed Mr. Ingalls' suggestions of reductions.

Ferris to Be Guest.—Saturday noon to Monday morning, Congressman Scott Ferris will be the guest of the local Young Men's Democratic club and on the same evening will speak to students of the State University at Norman. Congressman Ferris is making the state democratic campaign.

Two Meetings Held.—Two meetings of the county democratic campaign last night. One was held at Wheatland, and a second at Ardmore. Both were sponsored by the local Young Men's Democratic club.

Brown to Be Commended.—Resolutions commending Edward E. Brown, former secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, for the efficient work he rendered while in that capacity, are to be drafted by a special committee appointed at a meeting of the chamber last night. The committee consists of William Moe, Sidney L. Brock and Arthur H. Chesser. A copy of the resolutions will be sent Mr. Brown. He is now supervising the work on his farm near Shawnee.

Girls to Debate Suffrage.—A discussion of the merits of suffrage will be held tomorrow afternoon at the regular meeting of the high school girls debating club. Those to take part in the event are William Miller, Rosemary Bates and Marjorie Hughes.

Bankruptcy Petition Filed.—George E. Gardner of Oklahoma City, a salesman formerly connected with the Lion Store, filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy in federal court this morning. He lists his liabilities at \$2,350.92 and his assets at \$25.

Civil Society to Meet.—Plans for the evening year's work will be made tonight by the state civil association at a meeting to be held in the Leo-Hooker hotel. Committee reports will be submitted and the program for the annual convention in November arranged.

To Invite Lodges.—Armed with letters from the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce, Oliver C. Black left this morning for Muskogee, where the annual state convention of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs is in progress. He will invite the two organizations to hold their next convention in Oklahoma City. Both the odd Fellows and Rebekahs met in this city last fall.

Donnis Flynn Returns.—Sweeping the city for hoodlums and ruffians in the (Continued from Page One.)

bridge money sought.—Letters to towns along two proposed routes of the Ozark trail are being sent by the Oklahoma highway commission, asking that they do their share toward raising \$500,000 to complete the road across the south end of the state. The route is marked on the map of the state.

Miss Hayes Qualifies.—Miss Mary Hayes is now librarian at the Carnegie library. She has passed the city examination for the position with a score of 95.5. Following the resignation of Miss Edith Phelps she was appointed temporary librarian.

No Jury Trials.—There were no jury trials in the courts of Judge Hayson and Clark during the entire morning. All cases were heard in the afternoon for a short time before the defendant attorneys were attended to in the court of the morning.

Tuttle on Stand.—James Tuttle was on the witness stand the entire morning in the trial of the \$10,000 suit against the Kinney Discount company. In Judge O'Brien's court. He made twice the amount of the suit interest he alleges he was forced to pay the company. He lost from them. He was compelled to pay \$1,000 to cancel an original debt of only \$250, he contends.

Carpenter Held Up.—John Hughes, a carpenter living at 310 West Main street, told the police last night that he had been held up by a gang of hold-ups and \$1,000. He said the attack occurred at Washington and Robinson avenues.

Chief on Vacation.—Tony Meyers, an assistant chief of the fire department, is in charge while Chief Brooks is away on his vacation.

Trains Meeting Postponed.—Because a platform was not present the scheduled meeting of the Oklahoma City Ozark trail organization was postponed until Monday. It was to have met at noon today at the Skatlin hotel.

Speaking Dates Announced.—Democratic meetings will be at Council Grove and Lutter, tonight, at Pottawatomie and Grove, Wednesday, Newalls and Harrah, Thursday, Britton and Chickadee, Friday, and Edmond and Joplin, Saturday. It was announced by the campaign committee today. Democratic nominees and other democrats will speak at each meeting.

Birth Announced.—Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Rauch, 1212 West Twenty-second street, announce the birth of a son Tuesday, whom they have named L. M. Jr.

Postal Receipts Gave.—During the quarter which just closed, postal receipts at the local office show an increase of 12 percent over the corresponding period in 1915. The figures are \$116,153.13, as compared with \$103,415.12 for the previous year.

Crust, Wife Says.—That he choked her on a sandwich and broke her ribs in his treatment of her are allegations made by Mrs. Anna Norton who yesterday filed a petition for divorce in district court. Her husband is James Norton, a banker of Okfuskee. Mrs. Norton says he has property valued at \$50,000 and asks for alimony of \$200 a month.

Invitations Turned Down.—County Commissioner Black says he gets a good many invitations from citizens making companies in the east to visit their plants at their expense. The commissioner states that he is suspicious and will not go.

Teachers to Test Eyes.—Teachers in the county schools will make eye tests of their pupils without solicitation of physicians, according to Mrs. Anna Burke Love, county superintendent. Children found with defective vision will be ordered sent to an oculist.

City's Crops Harvested.—Five hundred bushels of corn and 1,000 bushels of soybeans constitute the city's crop from South-east park. The grain will be stored in Wheeler park.

To Improve Road.—Nineteen miles of road extending out from South Twenty-third street, south, will be graded soon, according to County Commissioner R. W. Black. Clay and sand are being mixed for the surfacing.

Cider Raids Made.—Raids in two places yesterday resulted in the seizure of thirty-three gallons of cider. Deputy sheriffs, acting under orders of the county attorney, made the raid. None was arrested.

Desertion Alleged.—Desertion of his wife two years ago is charged in a petition filed in the district court today by H. H. Davis for a divorce from Mahel Davis. They lived together for seven years without trouble until she suddenly disappeared with their two children, he says. He since has been unable to locate them, the petition states.

Dissolution Asked.—An application was filed in the district court this morning for the dissolution of the Strader Mercantile company, a corporation formerly doing business at 25 Broadway circle. All of the property of the corporation has been sold and it is no longer transacting business, the petition alleges.

Ritchie Makes Bond.—Charles Ritchie, arrested Friday, charged with possessing and disposing of liquor, was released this morning from the county jail when he presented two bonds of \$500 each.

New Veterinary Instructor.—Dr. John Patterson of Holick, Iowa, a graduate of the Ames, Iowa, school, has been appointed by the state board of agriculture to the position of instructor in veterinary medicine at the state Agricultural and Mechanical college at Stillwater.

Gault to Kansas City.—Frank Gault, president of the state board of agriculture, will leave tonight for Kansas City, where he will attend the annual livestock show at that place. It is possible that he may purchase some stock for use in various Oklahoma agricultural schools.

Paint Lines Help.—Parking lines in white paint on the pavement on Main street aided today in the handling of traffic. The paint lines also space for cars driven up to the curb and reduce confusion that had appeared on Main street.

Change of Venue Granted.—The contest against the Tucker brothers for possession of the Metropolitan theater will be taken from the justice court of J. E. Martin to the court of O. L. Price. The date of the hearing has not been set.

Report Late.—Change in method of handling police court cases adopted after bigger courts had found fault with the old system, much more work for C. D. Armour, the clerk. His monthly report of the court will not be ready for several days.

Thompson Appointed.—H. E. Thompson, who has for some time been a clerk in the office of the state auditor, was appointed today to succeed R. W. Whitford, who resigned as chief accountant, and to become connected with Levy Brothers, bond brokers and investors.

Ashton in Guthrie.—State Labor Commissioner W. G. Ashton left this morning for Guthrie on a factory inspection tour.

Attends Reunion.—W. D. Matthews, commissioner of charities and corrections, left this morning for Durant to attend the reunion of Confederate veterans.

Kerr Back on Job.—Eugene Kerr of Muskogee, editor of the Muskogee Times Democrat, returned to Oklahoma City this morning and assumed his duties as assistant director of the democratic publicity bureau.

Thieves at Goodyear Store.—Thieves broke into the Goodyear tire company at 311 North Broadway last night and took \$100 from the cash register. No arrests have been made by the police.

City Camel Arrives.—The camel purchased by local shrimpers in Kansas City and given to the city for use at the Wheeler park zoo, arrived this morning and has taken his place among the other big and quadrupeds in the city's menagerie.

Gardening Committee at Work.—The committee consisting of H. E. Broadbent, Rev. Searson Boyer and John Vider, elected by Mayor Ed Overholser to choose winners in his garden contest, was busy engaged in reviewing reports of the youthful contestants today. No date for the announcement of their decision has been set.

## County Democrats Play in Two Teams

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Teamwork is the motto of the county democratic campaign this fall.

All of the candidates are divided into two teams. One of these teams will visit all the points on the west side of the county while the rest of the candidates are visiting the towns on the east side. When each team has thus roughly covered its side of the county, it will change sides and canvass the opposite half of the county. The present west side team consists of Robert Burns, candidate for the legislature; G. E. Johnson, for sheriff; Arleigh Buckover, for county treasurer; Judge W. H. Zwick for county judge; Ezra Offutt, for tax assessor; and Rollin Gish, for the legislature. Joel Estes, for county attorney; Jim Beas, for court clerk; Tom Bodine, for county clerk; Harry Adams, for county surveyor; Mrs. Anna Burke Love, for superintendent of schools; and Warren K. Snyder, for the legislature.

The westside team will speak at Council Grove tonight and the east side team will hold a meeting at Luther.

## PICKET PAYS \$50 FOR TOTING A POP GUN

White Rat Row With Theater Manager Settled by Police Court Fine.

If the New York gunmen pack the same kind of weapon that was taken from the hip pocket of R. F. Shoemaker, strike picket manager, during a fight with "Jack" Boland, manager of the Empress theater, they cannot be very dangerous. The "gun" was about four inches over all and of 22 caliber, but after careful consideration and close examination of the weapon Judge Spitzer fined Shoemaker \$50 and costs for carrying it.

Charges and counter charges of the fight were threshed out in municipal court today after a long delay. Week before last Boland and Shoemaker had a verbal clash in front of the Empress theater. Boland ended it by knocking Shoemaker down. Shoemaker got up and they started the second round. During the mixup somebody shouted "gun!" A. A. Ford, a candy manufacturer, and M. Schlom, who were passing down a little revolver and holster from Shoemaker's pocket.

Shoemaker who had been acting as manager for the White Rats strikers filed a charge of assault against Boland.

KANSAS CITY.—The stock judging team from the Iowa state college, Ames, Iowa, was successful today in the students' judging contest at the American Royal livestock show here. The Iowa team scored 3,380 points.

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States are prepared to join in any feasible scheme for the prevention of future wars.

"Two months ago Mr. Charles E. Bryce, in accepting the nomination as candidate for the presidency of the republican party, declared with no less force and no less sincerity that he was convinced the time had come for America to unite with European countries in a well considered scheme for applying methods of arbitration and conciliation to securing general and permanent peace in the world.

Of Supreme Importance.

"Thus, the heads of two great American parties, distinguished men and the official exponents of American opinion, have promised the co-operation of their nation on this project—one of great difficulty, no doubt, but also of supreme importance.

"Let not this war have been fought in vain. Let us preach for and try to put into practice some scheme for averting, this oldest and most terrible scourge of mankind."

Churches Must Do Part.

"On the terms of that treaty the people will think and ought to insist on expressing their opinion and the churches must do their part in helping to form it.

"To indulge in revenge would be to sow the seeds of future wars.

"The talk we now hear about starting after peace has been concluded a

new war of trade to follow the war of arms has immense capacities for mischief. Such a trade war would prolong, would embitter those hatreds that ought to be allowed to die, and it assumes a continuance of those very things from which we expect our victory to deliver us once for all."

PITTSBURGH—Major E. Lowery Humes, federal district attorney, now on the frontier as adjutant in the Pennsylvania National guard, will be relieved from his post to prepare for the trial here of seventy-two Pennsylvania brewing companies, indicted on charges of illegally collecting campaign money.

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